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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Yuji YAGI et al.

Serial No.: 09/754,133

Group Art Unit: 3729

Filed: January 5, 2001

Examiner: Rick K. Chang

For: CIRCUIT BOARD AND SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE,
AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PLEASE ACCEPT THIS AS
AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT
OR CREDIT FEES TO
DEP. ACCT. 16-0331
PARKHURST & WENDEL

In response to the Office Action mailed October 16, 2001, applicants hereby provisionally elect, with traverse, species I for initial examination in this application. Claims 26 and 31 read on the elected species and claims 24, 25, 29 and 31 are generic to all species outlined in the Office Action.

Applicants respectfully traverse the election requirement since all of species I-III are sufficiently related that a thorough and complete search for species I would necessarily encompass a thorough and complete search for species II and III. Thus, it is

respectfully submitted that search and examination of all species herein could be made without serious burden.

For at least the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and withdrawal of the election requirement and examination of all species herein are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

PARKHURST & WENDEL, L.L.P.

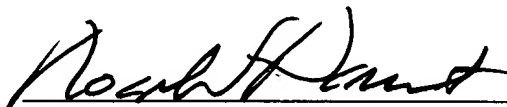
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